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St Joseph's School

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In All Things Love

Uniform Shop

Open on Monday and Fridays
8.30 am to 9.30 am

Playgroup

Friday - 10.00 am to 11.30 am

Out of School Hours Care

Daily Except Tuesday
7.30 am to 8.30 am
and 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Tuesday

2.45 pm to 6.00 pm
Bookings essential
Mobile: 0437 863 067

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish

Priest - Fr Marek Ptak CR

Phone: (08) 8447 3223

Mass Times

Saturday 6.30 pm
Sunday 8.30 am English &
10.30 am Polish

Weekday 6.30 pm English & Polish
Except Tuesday
(check with Parish)

Newsletter

Year 2/3C

The Year 2/3C students have demonstrated great effort in exploring, designing, and researching endangered Australian native animals. They have skillfully consolidated their knowledge into persuasive posters and written captivating stories on the topic of **'Saving the Endangered Australian Native Animals'**. This classroom project has provided valuable lessons on creating awareness and actively contributing to conservation efforts as a unified community.



We acknowledge that our school is on Kurna country. We recognise and respect the Kurna people as the continuing custodians of the Adelaide Plains and pay our respect to Elders past and present.

Catholic Identity

Throughout his ministry, Jesus often used parables (stories) to help explain his teachings. Many parables involved the use of images of vegetation known to the region at the time. The parable of the Mustard Seed is one such example. The message Jesus portrays is that from little things big things grow. The mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds grows to become the largest of all plants. Here at St Joseph's School we are entrusted with supporting our parents as they nurture their children to grow and become the best they can be in whatever direction they choose to take in life. At St Joseph's School we focus on the education of the whole child, intellectually, morally, emotionally, spiritually, religiously, physically, and socially, providing many varied learning opportunities and experiences in the process. It is great to see all children engaging with the learning opportunities presented to them each day.

Curriculum News

I have included two mathematical tasks which you might like to have a go at with your child/ children.

This week's Mathematical tasks:

Reception to Year 3

Make your own obstacle course by going over 3 things, through 2 things, under 2 things, around 4 things and between 2 things.

Write or draw where you could stand in this room so the door is to your left/right?

Years 4-6

Find your school using Google maps. Where could you go that is close to 2.5 kilometres away from the school?

When Ms Smith leaves home each morning, she travels in a North direction to get to school. What suburb might she live in?

Happy inquiry.

Teaching and Learning in the Preschool and Occasional Care

In preschool this term we have begun a sewing circle. Parents have volunteered their time to sit with us Wednesday mornings for three weeks, to teach the children how to sew. This is a great exercise for developing our fine motor skills, building community relationships, and expressing ourselves creatively.

We have had a focus on the Child Protection theme of 'safety' this term, with the police and fire fighters visiting us. Last week we also had the RAA come in to teach the children about road safety. They rolled out a huge road and taught the children five safety rules to use before crossing the road. The children have retained this information and can demonstrate how to stop, look, listen, and think.

Term 3 Preschool and Reception Intake

St. Joseph's School will once again have a Pre-school and Reception intake at the start of Term 3 this year. Our Term 3 new Pre-school children will replace those moving into Reception as part of our Term 3 Reception intake. A new class will be created for our Term 3 new Receptions which will be in the classroom next to our current R/1 Unit. The criteria for starting Pre-school or Reception on the first day of school in Term 3 is that a child will have turned 4 (Pre-school) or 5 (Reception) between 1 May and 31 October in that year. Commencing in Week 8 we will hold three transition visit mornings for our new Pre-school and Reception children with the aim of supporting their new start. Our Term 3

preschool enrolment number currently sits at 22. Our aim is to reach 30 enrolments which is our capacity.

Kiss and Drop Zone

A reminder that the school *Kiss and Drop Zone* along Rosewater Terrace is not a place to park your car if you need to enter the school grounds as this holds up all incoming and outgoing traffic. It also leads to children exiting their cars on Rosewater Terrace and having to manoeuvre between traffic, raising safety concerns.

If you need to come into the school grounds parking is available along Rosewater Terrace and on Ina Avenue. Thank you in anticipation of your support with this important safety matter.

Skool Bag name change to Audiri

To keep up to date with what is happening within our school along with upcoming school events why not download the **Audiri** (formerly Skool Bag) **App** from the App Store on your mobile phone. Once downloaded simply search St Joseph's School, Ottoway and add to your Audiri page. Many of our families currently use the **Audiri App** to keep up to date with what is happening across our school.

In addition, our school website **News and Events** link is regularly updated to assist our families in keeping up with what is happening across our school.

May the spirit of the Risen Lord be with you and your family.

Working in partnership with you.

Shaun O'Leary.

APRIM News

Sacrament Group

Confirmation will be celebrated in the Parish Church on Saturday 23rd September at 10am. Our Sacrament group is preparing for this each Tuesday afternoon.

Masses in Term 2

All are invited to join us in the Church for the Parish Mass celebrations. Fr Marek will be away throughout July and some of August.

- Thursday 29/6 10am Saints Peter and Paul

Parents and Friends News

Following a discussion at the last board meeting, the board will have input as to the shape and future activities of our parents and friends community.

All parents and carers are members of our Parents and Friends, please let me know if you would like to volunteer or have ideas to share with the parents on the school board.

Admin News

The school phone number changed last September to **8415 1100**.

There was a redirect on the old number for 6 months but this has now ceased.

If you are trying to call the school and getting the message that the number is no longer in service it is because you are still using the old number.



Please update your Contacts list to show 8415 1100.

Please change our number in your Contacts.

SCHOOL CARD

If you think you may be eligible for School Card please apply asap.

The next lodgement date is this Friday 23/6/23.

Forms are available in the office or you can apply online. To apply online go to:

<https://online.forms.sa.edu.au/content/forms/af/public/application-for-school-card.html>

The Apps We Use



Skool Bag has changed to Audiri. We use this App to keep you up to date with what is happening within our school. This is an information tool and we recommend that all families have this App.



The Qkr! App can be used to:

- Order from the Canteen
- Pay school fees
- Pay OSHC fees
- Book into Occasional Care (limited spaces and the app is open from Noon on Tuesdays until Noon Wednesdays)

School Calendar

Term 2/3, 2023

June		July		August	
16	Mass—10 am The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	5	Whole school excursion Shrek the Musical Jr Leave at 9.30 am Return at 2.30 pm	4	Pupil Free Day OSHC available
19	School Board Meeting	6	Term 2 finishes @ 3.00 pm	14	School Board Meeting
29	Mass—10 am Saints Peter & Paul	7	School Directed Non Teaching Day. OSHC available		
		24	Term 3 starts @ 8.45 am		